SB1045

Measure Title: RELATING TO INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE.

Board of Barbering and Cosmetology; Barbering;

Report Title: Cosmetology; Intimate Partner Violence; Training;

Licensing

Requires barber, beauty operator, and instructor

licensees under the board of barbering and

Description: cosmetology to complete a one-time, one-hour

training program on intimate partner violence

awareness and education.

Companion: <u>HB1147</u>

Package: None

Current

Referral: CPH, JDC

BAKER, FEVELLA, INOUYE, J.KEOHOKALOLE,

Introducer(s): NISHIHARA, S. Chang, Gabbard, Moriwaki,

Ruderman, Shimabukuro, Wakai

Testimony of the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology

Before the
Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health
Thursday, February 7, 2019
9:30 a.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 229

On the following measure: S.B. 1045, RELATING TO INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE

Chair Baker and Members of the Committee:

My name is Kedin Kleinhans, and I am the Executive Officer of the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology (Board). The Board offers comments on this bill.

The purpose of this bill is to require barber, beauty operator, and instructor licensees to complete a one-time, one-hour training program on intimate partner violence awareness and education.

Barbers, beauty operators, and instructors provide beauty culture and barbering services and, in the case of instructors, train individuals to become licensed beauty operators. By requiring these licensees to complete training on intimate partner violence, with the apparent expectation that they will assist victims of that violence, this bill expands the licensees' responsibilities beyond their scopes of practice. In addition, there exists a dangerous possibility of retaliation against licensees for their involvement in recognizing signs of violence and advising their clients or students of available resources.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.



Testimony on behalf of the Hawai'i State Commission on the Status of Women Khara Jabola-Carolus, Executive Director

Prepared for the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health

In Support of SB1045
Thursday, February 7, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 229

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Chang, and Honorable Members,

The Hawai'i State Commission on the Status of Women wishes to mahalo you for holding this hearing today and for the opportunity to testify in **support** of SB1045, which would require barber, beauty operator, and instructor licensees under the board of barbering and cosmetology to complete a one-time, one-hour training program on intimate partner violence awareness and education

The purpose of the measure was to equip those who work in the cosmetology and barbering fields with important information to assist survivors of intimate partner violence. Those in the beauty industry have a unique opportunity to notice signs of abuse. Professionals in the grooming and beauty industry often enjoy close and trusting relationships with their clients. These professionals have a unique opportunity to provide advice, resource information, and assistance.

SB1045 is not broadly extensive or overburdensome. Requiring a one-time, one-hour training program on intimate partner violence would enable more professionals in these fields to recognize the signs of intimate partner violence and potentially direct their clients to much needed resources. Similar programs (such as "Cut it Out"), have shown proven success in providing information and training to professionals in this particular field. These programs exist because communities and programs have identified that victims often disclose to trusted individuals in safe environments, like salons and barber shops. The Commission strongly supports this measure and thanks you for this opportunity to testify in support of SB1045.

Mahalo.

Khara Jabola-Carolus

DATE: February 5, 2019

TO: Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection & Health

Chair Rosalyn Baker Vice Chair Stanly Chang

Jarret Keohokalole Clarence Nishihara Russell Ruderman Laura Thielen Kurt Fevella

FROM: Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence

RE: SB 1045 Relating to Domestic Violence

Dear Members of the Committee:

On behalf of the Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence (HSCADV) and our 23 member organizations across the state, I am submitting testimony in STRONG SUPPORT of SB 1045 which requires licensees under the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology to complete a one-time, one-hour training program on intimate partner violence awareness.

Cosmetologists and hair professionals build long lasting relationships with their customers, some of whom may be experiencing intimate partner violence. National statistics show that 1 in 4 women will be abused by an intimate partner in her lifetime and 1 in 7 men. Having this one time training will equip stylists with a basic knowledge about domestic violence and provide them with resources to offer their clients. We do not expect them to become advocates or experts in domestic violence, but merely what to watch for, general dynamics of domestic violence and where they can find resources in their communities across the state.

As stated above, HSCADV strongly supports SB 1045.

Thank you for your consideration of our testimony.

Respectfully,

Carmen Golay

<u>SB-1045</u> Submitted on: 2/1/2019 4:51:30 PM

Testimony for CPH on 2/7/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Michael Golojuch Jr	Testifying for LGBT Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii	Support	Yes

Comments:

Aloha Senators,

The LGBT Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii supports the passage of SB 1045.

Mahalo for your consideration and for the opportunity to testify.

Mahalo,

Michael Golojuch, Jr.

Chair

LGBT Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii



To: Hawaii State Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health

Hearing Date/Time: Thurs., Feb. 7, 2019, 9:30 a.m. Place: Hawaii State Capitol, Rm. 229

Re: Testimony of Planned Parenthood of Hawaii in Support of S.B. 1045

Dear Chair Baker and Members of the Committee,

Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii ("PPVNH") writes in support of S.B. 1045, which seeks to require intimate partner violence awareness and education for those in the field of barbering and cosmetology.

As a health care provider, Planned Parenthood plays an important role in preventing domestic violence by helping to identify victims, document abuse, and provide counseling and referrals. Those working in barbering and cosmetology can also play an important role, as they have frequent and often personal contact with customers. Providing them with intimate partner violence awareness training and education will give them the information and tools that they need to help prevent abuse and ensure the health and safety of their customers.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in support of this important measure.

Sincerely,

Laurie Field Hawaii State Director COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair Senator Stanley Chang, Vice Chair

DATE: Thursday, February 7, 2019

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Conference Room 229

Support for SB 1045

Aloha Chair Baker, Vice Chair Chang and members,

The Coalition is in **support of SB1045** to train cosmetologists and barbers in domestic violence awareness and resources.

Cosmetologists and hair professionals build long lasting relationships with their customers, some of who may be experiencing intimate partner violence. National statistics show that 1 in 4 women will be abused by an intimate partner in her lifetime and 1 in 7 men. Having this one-time training will equip stylists with a basic knowledge about domestic violence and provide them with resources to offer their clients. We do not expect them to become advocates or experts in domestic violence, but merely what to watch for, general dynamics of domestic violence and where they can find resources in their communities across the state.

In 2016 Illinois became the first state to pass a law requiring all salon professionals to complete a one-hour training course to learn how to spot signs of domestic violence and sexual assault. Since then, a total of 14 states have introduced or passed similar pieces of legislation. And... Since the initial bill was passed, the Professional Beauty Association has expressed support for similar legislation.

This creative way to address a problem that is woven throughout a society that normalizes violence against women could really add an important tool to the fight.

Please pass this bill. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify,

Ann S. Freed Co-Chair, Hawaii Women's Coalition

<u>SB-1045</u> Submitted on: 2/6/2019 8:57:35 AM

Testimony for CPH on 2/7/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Melodie Aduja	Testifying for O`ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai`i	Support	No

Comments:

To: Hawai'i State Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer

Protection and Health

Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, February 7, 2018 (9:30 a.m.)

Place: Hawai'i State Capitol, Rm. 229

Re: Testimony in **SUPPORT of S.B. 1045**, relating to intimate

partner violence

Dear Senator Rosalyn H. Baker (Chair), Senator Stanley Chang (Vice Chair), and Members of the Committee.

I am grateful for this opportunity to testify in **strong support of S.B. 1045**, relating to intimate partner violence.

My testimony is informed by many years of work in the field of domestic violence, and research conducted with survivors of intimate partner violence. In addition, when I lived in New Zealand, I managed a 24-hour, 7-days/week domestic violence hotline, and I also trained hotline Advocates to respond skillfully and empathetically to survivors of violence. I provided extensive education to Advocates for Women, and also worked with police, courts, and other service agencies on behalf of survivors.

Based on these experiences, I argue that passage of S.B. 1045 is important, with potential to improve assistance offered to survivors of intimate partner violence (IPV) in Hawai'i. Women often disclose intimate details of their lives while getting their hair cut, or learning about makeup application, or skin care. For this reason, cosmetologists and barbers are well placed to provide information about services in Hawai'i, and to suggest referrals. Sympathy is not enough. Women need knowledge to help them survive and escape their violent circumstances. Often, they need to hear this information multiple times from different sources before they risk asking for help. This bill has great potential for contributing to a multi-pronged information-provision strategy in Hawai'i.

In conclusion, passage of S.B. 1045 is an important step in improving information provision to IPV survivors. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely
Susan T. W

Susan J. Wurtzburg

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